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TWO CENTS

OFFICERS OF WAR CHEST FUND MAKE AN INTERESTING STATEMENT

Show Amount of Money
Paid In and How It Has
Been Paid Out

MORE FUNDS ARE YET NEEDED

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Charleroi District War Chest Fund was held Friday evening at the office, at which the following condensed report was made:

Collections—June 1, 1918, to March 1, 1919

DISBURSEMENTS—

American Red Cross

United War Work Camps

Salvation Army

Salaries

Office Furniture, Stationery

And Printing

Expenses of Canvass

Bal in banks March 1, 1919 \$16,535.77

It is estimated that it will require between \$12,000.00 and \$15,000.00 additional to meet the obligations contracted for and unpaid.

The Directors were disappointed to note the falling off in payments during the month of February. The monthly average collection was \$7192.56 but during the month of February only \$4238.18 was collected. The impression appears to prevail among some of our people that when the armistice was signed, the war ceased, and therefore, they should quit paying into the war chest fund. A little consideration of this matter should convince anyone that the armistice did not stop the expenditure of money by the American Red Cross, the Y. M. C. A., the Knights of Columbus, Salvation Army, Young Men's Hebrew Association or any of the war organizations. The expenses of these associations will continue until all of the American boys are returned from the camps.

It is, therefore, absolutely necessary that we should complete the payment of our pledges to the various organizations. The Directors of the War Chest Fund can not do this unless the individual subscribers will meet their individual pledges.

Should there be a sufficient amount of money accumulated before June 1st, the expiration of the first year for which pledges were taken, due notice will be given through the Charleroi Mail and no further contributions will be solicited.

H. J. Booth, President.
R. H. Rush, Treasurer
Attest—
S. L. Cover, Secretary.

LOST—32x4 tire mounted on rim on Lock Four hill Wednesday evening between 9 and 10 p. m. Reward for return or information, 408 Mail office. 225-tf.

"Edith Cavell Case," the woman who the Germans shot. Majestic Friday and Saturday. All Red Cross nurses take notice. 228-t2.

District Prayer Meetings
District prayer meetings will be held Tuesday evening March 4, 1919, at 7:45 o'clock—Mrs. Duvall, Washington and Fourth; S. W. O'Neil, 813 Fallowfield avenue; A. J. Gilleland, 507 Crest avenue; A. H. Bosson, Seventh and Lincoln avenue; Mrs. John Wolfe, 115 Lincoln avenue; W. S. James, Fifth and Lincoln avenues, and Mrs. Earl Nicholson 531 Fallowfield avenue.
G. A. Allison, pastor.

BOYS SENT IN FALSE ALARM

Officer Corey Arrests Two
Young Men Near Fire
Alarm Box

CHARGES WILL BE PREFERRED

Two young men, Frank Alter and Arthur Williams, who live out the Maple creek road, were arrested at 12:30 Sunday morning at the corner of Washington avenue and Second street, by Officer Corey, charged with turning in a false alarm. The alarm was sounded from box 18, a point from which many false calls have been made, and Officer Corey being in that neighborhood immediately went to the scene, where he arrested Alter and Williams before they were able to leave the vicinity of the fire alarm box.

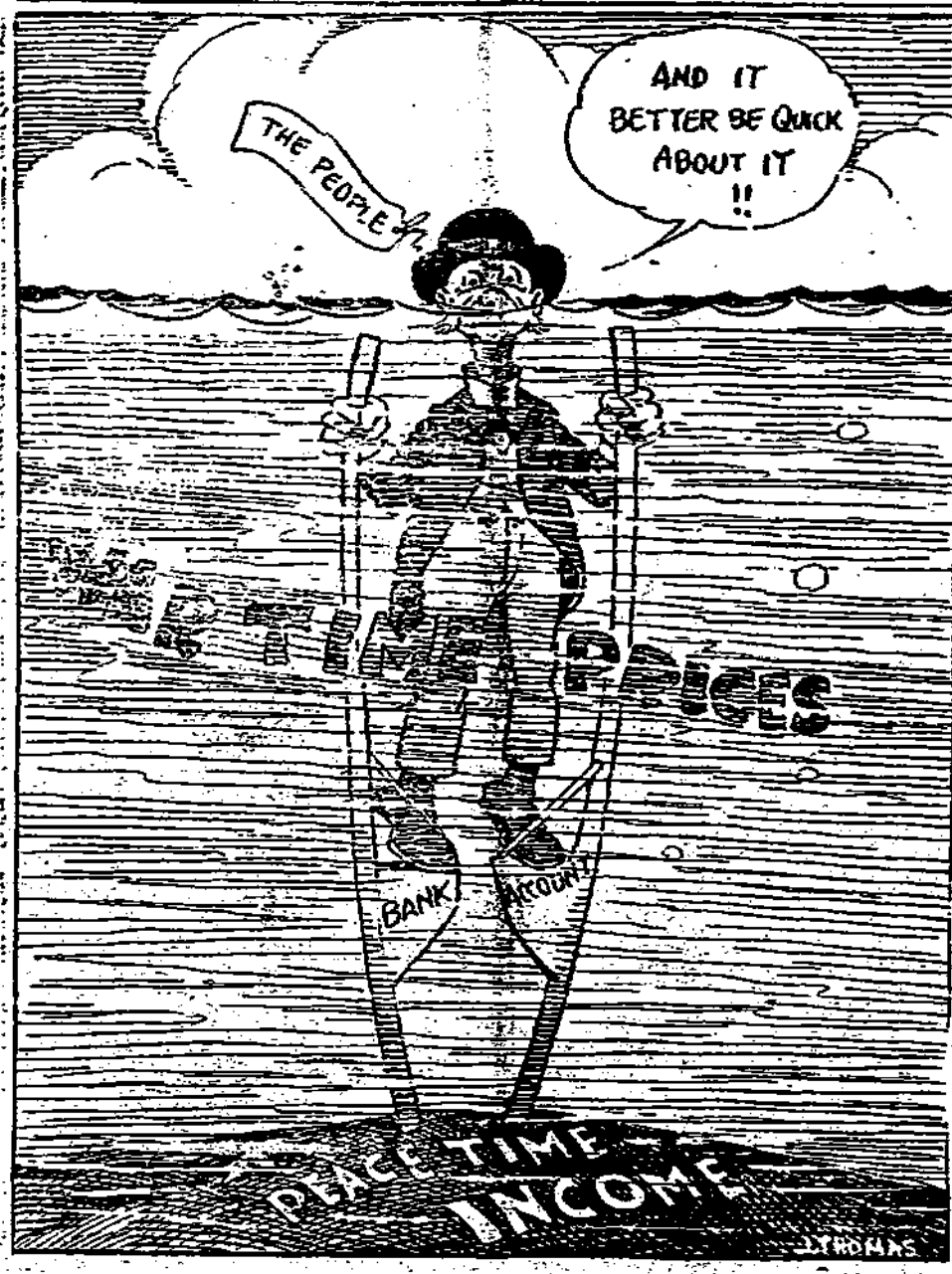
The firemen immediately responded, and were soon on the ground, where they were met by Officer Corey, who had the prisoners in charge. He explained why they had been arrested and the firemen at once placed the prisoners on the truck and took them to the police station, where they were locked up. Today an information will be made against them under an act of assembly, which provides a severe penalty for turning in false alarms. It is likely the two prisoners will be held for court, and be given trial at the May term of criminal court.

The local firemen have been constantly annoyed for some time with false alarms, and have endeavored to apprehend the ones responsible. Boxes 12 and 13 have been particularly prominent in these false alarms and the arrests made Sunday morning may serve to do away with a good bit of this annoyance.

Maybe that comfortable salary of \$250,000 a year nerved President Ebert up to the threat to turn defeated Germany loose on the victorious Allies.

The Musical Auxiliary will be entertained at the home of Miss Ethel Barth, this evening.

THE TIDE HAS TO TURN SOMETIME



Two Big Games Are On Card This Week

Tomorrow night in the local gym and outside games only strictly league the local five will meet the Homestead games.

High team. Charleroi expects to redeem themselves from the overwhelming defeat administered by this team most interesting contest of the season on Feb. 19 at Homestead, the score being 60-25. From the above statement it can be easily seen that the of our gym is restricted, the management will publish certain restrictions to the crowd for this special evening, which will be published in the local Mail. The capacity of the gym is 50 girls' team and the Ellsworth High per cent less than that of Monessen, hence the restrictions, and the management feels that this explanation is due the local community. But nevertheless it intends to do everything possible to take care of the Charleroi people.

The correct standing of the locals in the W. P. I. A. League is won 4 and lost 6; 400 pct. regardless of what the Pittsburgh papers state. This record of course does not include county people.

Mathias Stopp.
Mathias Stopp, died at his home, 1011 Lincoln avenue, Sunday, March 2, 1919, after a lingering illness of one year, in the 44th year of his age. Funeral services Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, with Requiem High Mass at St. Jerome's church. He is survived by his wife and three children; two brothers, William of Charleroi and Peter of Derry, and one sister, living in Germany. He was a member of the C. M. B. A., the L. O. O. M., the German Beneficial Union and the Charleroi Turn Verein. Interment will take place in Charleroi cemetery.

Pre-Lenten Dance.
Shrove Tuesday, March 4 in Night's Auditorium. Under direction of St. Jerome's Branch 782 L. C. B. A. Dancing from 8 to 12. Assessment 50c. 227-t2

Attention, L. C. B. A.
Members of Branch 782 are requested to meet at the home of Sister Stopp, 1011 Lincoln avenue, this evening at 8 o'clock. 228-t1

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Germany has a "workingman" as a President but still insists on styling itself an "empire."

Found.
Nothing better than "Ramer's Vera Sweet." 228-t1

FEBRUARY TONNAGE SHOWS BUT SLIGHT DECREASE FROM JANUARY

Social.
The Fraternal Patriotic Americans will hold a pie social Tuesday, March 4, at Odd Fellows hall. Girls requested to bring pies. Come and bring your friends. 228-t2-p

Clothing is very scarce in the devastated sections of Europe, but the protest of New York club women indicates that it is scarcer still at fashionable evening functions in this country.

WILL RAISE MUCH MONEY

Presbyterians to Push New
Era Campaign With
Vigor

FOR CHURCH AND ACTIVITIES

In every Presbyterian church in the Pittsburgh district, which also includes the Presbyterian churches of Charleroi, on Sunday the proclamation of the moderator of the general assembly calling the whole denomination to mobilize for the New Era movement, was read from the pulpit. The next few weeks are to be a time of great activity among Presbyterians all over the United States, and particularly in the Pittsburgh district, the stronghold of the faith, for by Easter Sunday the entire membership will be marshaled for the new responsibilities the post-war period has brought.

The most immediate goal of the churches in this preparatory period is the raising by each congregation of its quota of the millions of dollars the expanded activities of the New Era demand. The sum the Pittsburgh presbytery churches will raise for this purpose is a little over \$700,000. The weeks until "Victory Day," March 23, will be devoted to perfecting the organization in each congregation, already formed, that will handle the raising on that one day of the whole amount. Thus for the first time in the history of the denomination, the churches will have the financial question for the whole year cleared at one operation, and will be left free to execute the great New Era projects without diversion of effort to further money raising problems. Besides the \$700,000 to be raised, the churches will also provide for their congregational expenses during the year.

"Sweet are the uses of adversity," including the salutary results of cutting the German war machine down to a modest little standing army of 250,000 mn. But to the Junkers of course this is the hardest of the victor's terms.

More Traffic Permits Issued
Than for Many Previous
Months

TOTAL TONNAGE BELOW JANUARY

The month of February, just closed, although the shortest one of the year, has to its credit the fact that during the month there was more traffic manifests issued at lock No. 4 than for some previous months of 31 days, although the tonnage was much lighter.

The total coal and coke shipments for January, 1919, was 23,210,000 bushels. For February the total shipments were 20,271,000 bushels. This shows a decrease of 2,938,000 bushels over the shipments of January, but when it is considered that February had three less number of days it will be seen that the decrease is not as large as the figures would indicate. As a matter of fact to average shipments for January were 748,000 bushels daily, and for February 781,000 bushels.

No shipment of coke were made by river during the month of February. No new crafts of any kind were added to the transportation departments of the different firms. Several boats are undergoing repairs, while others are laid up pending a revival in business conditions.

The Pittsburgh Coal company is reported as looking all the coal they can get at the Duquesne mills pending the meeting of miners and operators scheduled for April first. The Carnegie Steel Company has four boats supplying their plant at Clariton, each boat making four round trips a week, delivering 96 barges containing approximately 2,000,000 bushels of coal. This company expects to put its new boat Edgar Thomson in commission in about six weeks.

According to the report furnished by Lockmaster James A. Sweeney the traffic through Lock 4 for the month was as follows:

Going down—Lockings, 883; steamers 261; boats and barges, 1,154; other craft, 24; bushels of coal, 20,271,000; lumber 40,000 board measure.

Going up—Lockings 367; steamers 254; boats and barges, 123; rafts, 1; other craft, 14; sand 28,000 bushels; gravel 45 bushels; lumber 32,000 bushels. Total lockings up and down, 750; total number of steamers 516; total boats and barges 2,277.

W. C. T. U. Meeting.
The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 at the home of Mrs. Ryland 508 Meadow avenue.

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Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Albert McKean of North Charleroi a son. Mrs. McKean was formerly Miss Pearl Fleming.

Majestic Theatre Today.
"THE LADY OF THE DUG OUT" featuring Al and Frank Jennings the once notorious outlaws who our late Ex-President Roosevelt pardoned, after being sentenced to prison Tomorrow—Catherine Calvert in "Marriage"

KEEP AN ACCOUNT OF INCOME EXPENSE
By keeping an account of income and expenses you have a record that will act as a guide in saving more money. An account with the First National Bank has helped many, and it will help you.

The First National Bank
CHARLEROI, PA.

Typewriter Bargains
One brand new Oliver Typewriter No. 9 never used to write more than 25 letters. For Sale to quick buyer at \$37.50
One rebuilt Monarch typewriter just from factory, almost as good as new SPECIAL PRICE \$50.00

MIGHT'S BOOK STORE

Coyle Theatre Today
Dorothy Dalton in "TYRANT FEAR"
Tomorrow—Charles Ray in "LAW OF THE NORTH"

Diamonds continue to be the premier investment for those who wish to enjoy their money and still have it increase in value.
An examination of our splendid stock of set and unset Diamonds will convince the most skeptical that we are offering some really excellent investments in first water, superb stones.
Grant us the pleasure of showing you them.

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RELIEF TO THE FARMER

In passing the wheat guarantee bill the House has responded to a great national need.

Of all forces that helped America to win the war, the American farmer is the only one that has suffered, and suffered severely, for his patriotism. The current fall in the price of every food commodity except wheat has cost him many millions of dollars. Shut off from the normal markets of the world by the continuance of the embargo against half of Europe, the American farmer has been compelled to sell at peace prices the vast accumulations of food which he had patriotically produced at war costs for labor and all sorts of supplies. The unexpectedly early termination of the war left him with a restricted market for the products for which the farmer, like the government, had every reason to believe there would be an urgent demand from fighting armies for months to come.

The wheat guarantee bill is designed to protect the farmer from further losses by the sale, at peace prices, of the 1918 and 1919 wheat crops which he produced at war costs. Under this legislation the President is authorized to buy wheat to the extent of \$1,000,000,000 at the guaranteed war price to release it at the market price. There is every chance that, when the normal markets of the world are reopened, this wheat will be sold at a price that will guarantee the government against loss. In the meanwhile the farmer will be spared the thankless task of paying for his patriotism by losses that are certain in the interval. But even if the government should face a loss in the transaction, the American people will not grudge the relief which they are affording to the army of producers who so readily and effectively respond to their call during the war.—New York Mail.

YOUR BOND'S YOUR TRIBUTE

Like every other American you are glad to see the young fellow who is just back from France. You are just as glad to see the disappointed youngster who got no farther than the training camp. Both represent our fighting force to you.

That one failed to reach his objective doesn't lessen the warmth of your handicap one whit. Nor the sincerity of your welcome. That was the fortune of war. It's the willingness to fight that challenges.

And you are just as proud of what the army did over there. You like to think of Chateau Thierry, Vedun, Belleau wood, the Argonne forest and all those other places where the Yanks clashed with the Hun as vindications of our forefathers.

Nor has it all lessened one iota your conviction that America is the greatest land under the sun. Breeds the gamblers, fighters; the most loyal citizens; the truest lovers and real appreciators of liberty.

And if any foreigner was to step up to you and declare that Uncle Sam wasn't sincere, didn't live up to his obligations, failed to make good his promises, you would probably try to knock his block off.

Uncle Sam is sincere, is honorable, tries always to make good, backs up to the letter his ideals and endeavors to attain his ambitions.

And when he falls anywhere along the line it's the folks at home who do not toe the line of duty. Who tie his hands.

Right now Uncle Sam is asking you to help him meet the greatest obligation he has ever faced.

The task of finishing this war job right.

He asks it in his name, in the name of every khaki clad soldier in the land.

In the name of every one of those 3,000 who never came back!

And the size of your bond measures the depth of your gratitude for all they have saved to you.

Your tribute to your country, to the boys who fought and died for you. Make it register truly.

URGE THEIR DEPORTATION

Members of the draft boards in the State of Washington have adopted resolutions to initiate a nation-wide movement having for its purpose the deportation of all aliens who claimed exemption from military service upon the mere ground of non-citizenship.

"The exemption of aliens," the resolution reads, "was the most exasperating experience of draft boards. The action of such aliens was cowardly and disgraceful. Every such person branded himself as a dangerous and undesirable resident. The country nurtured and protected these ingrates. At the very first test, when this nation faced a crisis, these men were not willing to bear any burdens. For every alien remained at home in ease and safety. They still retain good jobs, to the exclusion of our returning soldiers."

A similar demand has been made in other parts of the country. The Philadelphia Record, noting that 28 per cent of the men between 18 and 45 registered under the draft law in Pennsylvania were aliens and that the majority "resisted every effort to induce them to join our army or navy," says that: "Congressmen ought to be made to hear the demands of the people to take immediate action through which all of the outgoing ships will carry from our shores every alien who refused to enter the service of this country when it was at war with Germany." It should be added that there is no room and ought to be no welcome in this country for aliens who enjoy all its blessings while shirking every responsibility, regarding the United States as a mere convenient international boarding house. Whether Congress should decree the deportation of these men or not, they should be turned out of every job that a returning soldier or any other real American can fill.

Senator Lodge made a notable speech on the League of Nations in the Senate on Friday, in which he took issue with the President on the language of the proposed constitution. Senator Lodge insisted that the fundamentals be so worked that a possibility of misunderstanding be done away with. As the Senator pointed out, we are venturing into new fields, and before we go we must be assured that every tradition and every right of this nation must be protected.

It's a foregone conclusion that President Wilson's League of Nations constitution will have to undergo some radical supervision before it will be approved by the United States Senate.

President Wilson, when he left for Paris last December, promised to keep Congress advised of the proceedings of the peace congress in session. What information has come from France on this question has been quite limited, while the President did not appear before Congress last week to make an address, although he is taking time to make one in New York Tuesday evening before he boards the George Washington for the second trip to France.

The attempt of the Greensboro Gas Company to put over their "Ready-to-Serve" charge on the patrons of the company is just as popular in one town as another. All of them call it "a steal." Public opinion is aroused as never before in this section of the valley, which indicates that the contest before the Public Service Commission is going to be a very interesting one.

The average mother of a soldier has a prompt answer to the much discussed question as to who won the war in the person of her "Johnny" who is now marching home.

Unfortunately lasting peace is not as easy to make as precipitate war.

Don't Breathe Either, Girls. Cynicism—The average girl can keep her engagement secret just about as long as she can the fact that she's been eating onions.—Boston Transcript.

To Polish Amber. Amber may be polished by friction with whiting and water, and finally with a little olive oil well rubbed on the surface with a piece of flannel.

The World and Life. The world is not a playground; it is a schoolroom. Life is not a holiday, but an education.—Henry Drummond.

Optimistic Thought. There is no one that does not owe in his life to a silly act.

When I was a very young man I was filled with superstitious ideas, and a "globe trotter." They were thoroughly dispelled from my mind, however, after a visit to Japan. In that country there is a superstition surrounding practically everything. The Japanese housewife, for instance, will never sweep out a room immediately after anyone has left it, for fear of driving away the luck. At a Japanese marriage it is not considered wise for either the bride or bridegroom to wear purple. It is held that purple is a color likely to fade and that the marriage will not be of long duration. Perhaps the strangest ideas are those which prevail with regard to finger nails.

The Japanese believe that the cutting of finger nails before starting on a journey will bring misfortune to the traveler when he reaches his destination. The howling of a dog always causes considerable perturbation for it signifies death. It is a serious matter for a woman to step over an egg-shell. It is the belief of the country that if she does so she will go mad. There is a great fear of ghosts in Japan and many of the natives keep lights burning throughout the night in the belief that the flame will drive them away. One of the superstitions is put to practical use. Japanese children are told that if they tell a lie an imp will pull out their tongues.

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JAPS FULL OF SUPERSTITION

Have More Foolish Beliefs, According to Traveler, Than Any Other People on the Earth.

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CRIBBING LINES FROM JACKIE'S MIDDY



Snug fitting waist to, hipline and breast pocket notions of this rust-colored cloth gown were surely cribbed from the sailor's middy, but whence the inspiration of the black satin ribbon banding and cascaded skirt?

A Georgia Philosopher. "We're all great on sayin' 'The devil's to pay,' an' never payin' him." A fellow wouldn't have to walk across the street to settle with him, as he's always close enough to give us a dig in the ribs, or put us on the back, an' tell us we're the finest he ever made!—Atlanta Constitution.

Ladybugs to Fight Aphides. Ladybugs will be collected by forest service men in Oregon before the period of hibernation is ended and freed in the wheat fields of the state to fight the aphides, of which the ladybug is the natural enemy. The ladybugs hibernate on mountain tops and in protected canyons.

The Lobster. Unlike most other marine animals, the lobster is not truly migratory in its habits. It remains on about the same ground. It is believed, from year to year, coming into shallower water in spring and returning to the less accessible depths in autumn.

Cotton Gears. Cotton which has been put under hydraulic pressure of from 6,000 to 8,000 pounds and made into gears, produces an article superior to that made of steel. Softer than steel, the cotton gear yields where the steel gear wears under friction.

The Romaika. The Romaika is a modern Greek dance, dignified in character, and although not as popular as other forms of the Terpsichorean art, is much affected by certain sections of the populace.

Hard to Classify. Coming Author—"Well, they are sort of betwixt and between. They are too sensible for nonsense verses and too nonsensical for sensible verses."—Boston Evening Transcript.

To Wax Paper. If one needs some waxed paper quickly and there is none handy, melt some paraffin in a shallow pan and put strips of this paper (tissue paper is good) through it.

Daily Thought. He who is false to present duty breaks a thread in the loom, and will find the flaw when he may have forgotten the cause.—Henry Ward Beecher.

Speed. With ten pairs of revolving disks a static electric machine has been built in Paris that has developed 320,000 volts between its terminals.

Man and the Lower Animals. Only about 5 per cent of the lower animals are defective at birth, a much lower ratio than among human beings.

WOMAN'S SPHERE IN FRANCE

Her Influence Is Probably Greater Than in Any Other Country of the World.

The greatness of France lies in her sense of the beauty and importance of living. As life is an art in France, so woman is an artist. She does not teach man, but she inspires him. And as the French woman of the broad-winged class influences her husband, and he regards her judgment and her wishes, the same is similarly true of the French woman of the rich and educated class, the French woman of leisure. But in this world her influence naturally tends much farther.

The more civilized a society is the wider is the range of each woman's influence over men, and of each man's influence over women. Intelligent and cultivated people of either sex will not limit themselves to communing with their own households. Men and women equally, when they have the range of interests that real cultivation gives, need the stimulus of different points of view, the refreshment of new ideas as well as of new faces.

No one who has seen French women can doubt that their great influence on French life, French thought, French imagination and French sensibility is one of the strongest elements in the attitude France holds before the world today.—Ladies' Home Journal.

NO OBSTACLE DAUNTS RATS

Rodents in Norway, When Setting Out to Exile, Have Never Been Known to Turn Aside.

The rats of Norway employ a remarkable method to avoid a famine. When starvation threatens, those that are chosen for exile assemble in countless thousands in the mountain valleys leading to the plains and pour across the country in a straight line, which is often more than a mile in length. They devour every green thing in their path, and the country through which they pass looks as if it had been plowed or burned with fire.

They march principally by night and during the morning, resting in the afternoon. No matter how abundant the food may be in any particular locality they do not seek to settle in it, for their destination is the sea, and nothing animate or inanimate, if it can be surmounted, retards the advance.

Foxes, lynxes, weasels, kites and owls hover on the rodents' line of march and destroy them by the hundreds. The fish in the rivers and lakes take their toll of them, too, but the survivors press onward.

Little New in Warfare.

The use of asphyxiating gas is a very ancient device. Smoking out the enemy was one of the regular maneuvers of war in antiquity, says the Scientific Monthly. Polybius relates that at the siege of Ambracia by the Romans under Marius Fulvius Nobilior (B. C. 189) the Aetolians filled jars with feathers, which they set on fire, lighting the smoke with bellows into the faces of the Romans in the countermines. At the great naval battle fought in the waters of Ponza between Alfonso of Aragon and Genoa in 1435 the Genoese carried vessels filled with quicklime and red-hot cinders, the smoke from which was blown by the wind against the enemy. Leonardo da Vinci, who among his many other accomplishments was a notable military engineer, suggested the use of poisonous powders, such as yellow arsenic and verdigris, to be thrown from the topmasts of ships so as to choke the enemy. This formed a part of the war instructions given by Leonardo to the republic of Venice in 1489, when the Turks had passed the Isonzo and threatened St. Mark's.

To Renew Land's Fertility.

In the San Luis valley of Colorado there is an area from 400,000 to 500,000 acres which has almost completely been deprived of fertility in a seemingly mysterious manner. This condition has been investigated by Dr. W. P. Headen of the Colorado agricultural experiment station, and he attributes this condition to the so-called "black alkali," composed largely of sodium carbonate. This carbonate is carried in the waters of the valley, including the rivers and the artesian wells, and the practice of subirrigation has brought it to the surface by capillarity and evaporation. Doctor Headen suggests that the remedy lies in a conversion of the carbonates into sulphates by the use of a liberal amount of gypsum to one pound of black alkali—and downward washing by means of surface irrigation with furrows or by flooding.

The practice of clasping or joining right hands as a pledge of sincerity or as a seal of a promise is of very early origin. The apostle Paul, in his epistle to the Galatians, says: "And when James, Cephas and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given unto me, they gave to me and to Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we should go unto the heathen." In this case, evidently, a friendly agreement was sealed by giving the right hands of fellowship. From this the custom of giving the right hand of fellowship upon suitable occasions spread throughout Christendom and joining right hands became a part of the Christian marriage ceremony. The custom of hand shaking certainly existed before Shakespeare's day, for he refers to it many times as a kind of pledge or social greeting. It is not confined to English-speaking nations.

SHE COULD NOT STAND OR WORK

But Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Restored Her Health and Stopped Her Pains.

Portland, Ind.—"I had a displacement and suffered so badly from it that at times I could not be on my feet at all. I was all run down and so weak I could not do my housework, was nervous and could not lie down at night. I took treatments from a physician but they did not help me. My Aunt recommended Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I tried it and now I am strong and well again and do my own work and I give Lydia E. Pinkham's the credit."

—Mrs. JOSEPHINE KIMBLE, 925 West Race St., Portland, Ind.

Thousands of American women give this famous root and herb remedy the credit for health restored as did Mrs. Kimble.

For helpful suggestions in regard to such ailments women are asked to write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass. The result of its long experience is at your service.

For Skin Soreness of infants and children you can find nothing that beats Ete

Sykes Comfort Powder

Leading physicians and nurses have used and endorsed it for more than 25 years. 25c at the Vinal and other drug stores. The Comfort Powder Co., Boston, Mass.

DON'T LET A COLD KEEP YOU AT HOME

Dr. King's New Discovery almost never fails to bring quick relief

Small doses once in awhile and that throat-tearing, lung-splitting cough soon quiets down. Another dose and a hot bath before jumping into bed, a good sleep, and back to normal in the morning.

Dr. King's New Discovery is well known. For fifty years it's been relieving coughs, colds and bronchial attacks. For fifty years it has been sold by druggists everywhere. A reliable remedy that you yourself or any member of your family can take safely. 60c and \$1.20.

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Help nature take its course, not with a violent, habit-forming purgative, but with gentle but certain and natural-laxative, Dr. King's New Life Pills. Tonic in action, it stimulates the lax bowels. Sold by druggists. 25c.

CROUP MAY CHOKE YOUR BABY

Doctors are the best help for croupy children, but what if your physician can't respond quickly in the dead of night when your baby is strangling and gasping for breath?

A little KREW-PINA will quickly relieve the congestion and send baby off into sweet dreams. KREW-PINA is an ointment that is the foe to all inflammation and congestion. Not only good for baby's croup, but splendid for cuts, burns, bruises; relieves bronchitis, tonsillitis; breaks up colds in head or chest overnight, and usually removes them permanently in two applications.

Get a 25c jar of KREW-PINA now so you will have it when your baby's life is at stake. Any druggist can supply you.

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5 room house, 2 lots Oakland...\$1400
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FOR SALE

Brick dwelling in good location, worth \$1500 to be sold at \$12,500. Reasonable terms.

Union Realty Company

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Will Stop that Cough
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Wear
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CORSETS
They Lace In Front

SPRING TIME IS CORSET TIME



Now that spring is almost here it is time for you to think about your new corset. At this season more than many others it is essential that you choose the proper corset before you buy your new Spring Coat, Suit or Dress for on the corset depends the proper hang and lines of the new garment.

In Gossard Corsets you will find the very corset to fit you made possible by the styles they make, a corset for every figure. They have made up their entire line to conform with the nine Ideal figures.

1. Ideal Figure Tall Slender.
2. Ideal Figure Short Slender.
3. Ideal Figure Tall Heavy.
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5. Ideal Figure Curved Back.
6. Ideal Figure Average.
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8. Ideal Figure large above waist.
9. Ideal Figure Short Waisted.



Sold only in Charleroi By
J. W. BERRYMAN & SON
Charleroi's Busy Store

TEN-HERBS CAUSES GREAT SENSATION

"Ten-Herbs Expert" Claims
Great Curative Powers
For His Medicine

In a recent interview with the Ten-Herbs Expert, who is introducing and explaining the merits of Ten-Herbs, he said: "Few announcements in many years have caused such widespread interest in medical and scientific circles and among the public in general, as that recently made regarding the discovery of Ten-Herbs the new herbal medicine, and its relation to the blood of the human system."

"The wonderful power of Ten-Herbs to rebuild the natural strength, health and vigor of the blood and mind is now attributed by the public to its blood building powers, for Ten-Herbs I claim, regenerates the human blood, for it has been demonstrated beyond the possibility of a doubt, as vouched for by Pittsburgh people in signed testimonials that Ten-Herbs supplies nature with the elements which are so absolutely essential to the formation of new blood, by causing the stomach to perform its functions properly."

"The discovery of Ten-Herbs has revived popular interest in the old question, 'What is the life of the body?' Scientists have always claimed that the blood is the life, that it is the immediate source of all nourishment and strength for every nerve, muscle and organ. They point to the fact that when the body is robbed of blood, as by hemorrhage, it dies; that when the blood is of poor quality the organs are weak and now I claim that Ten-Herbs, which is known to regenerate the blood, also rebuilds the strength and vigor of the entire system."

"To the general public the discovery of Ten-Herbs has a practical interest of far-reaching importance, for it is known that the world is literally full of people whose blood is below the standard of vigorous health and whose strength and vital resistance to disease are therefore sub-normal. Almost every household, it is said, contains one or more persons of sub-normal vitality, not necessarily invalid, but weak, run-down, nervous and generally debilitated, who are prone to diseases of every kind. To these

Ten-Herbs will come like a 'ray of hope,' and prove of inestimable value in rebuilding the natural strength and health and regenerating the blood."

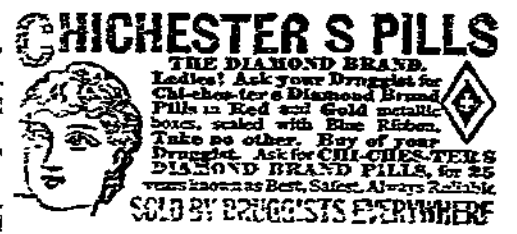
Ten-Herbs is sold in Charleroi at Henning's rug Store.

AN OLD MAN AT THIRTY-FIVE

Some of Us Growing Old Fast

Where do you stand in the matter of ageing? Are you old at thirty-five or young at forty-five? Men and women of today are fast learning the secret of youth and getting on to the fact that BA-HA-NI is the greatest little help in that direction of anything. Just one tablet with your evening meal and then nothing but clean rich blood, good healthy bowels, and naturally a sound body full of vim and go! Drop in to your druggist today and ask for a box of BA-HA-NI and know what it is to be fit for every duty and be young no matter what your age!

For sale by Hennings Drug Store and leading druggists everywhere.



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Films developed and printed in 24 to 48 hours.

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MATTIE H. KELLEY,
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FOR SALE!

10 roomed house and store, Washington Avenue, \$7000.
1 room house with two acres of ground including coal \$5000.
10 room house and vacant lot Fallowfield avenue \$6000.
houses Lincoln avenue, inquire. Lots at Lock 4. cash or payments. A few houses on easy payments. To buy a farm see us.

A. L. DUBINSKY
413 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, Pa

BIG MORTGAGE IS FILED FOR RECORD

A mortgage for \$100,000,000, one of the largest ever paid on record in this county, was left for record on Saturday last in the recorder's office at Washington. It is a voluminous document. It is given by the Philadelphia Company to the Guaranty Trust Company of New York for \$100,000,000. It is a first refunding and collateral trust mortgage, given to secure a gold bond issue of \$100,000,000. The mortgage covers all of the property, real, personal and mixed of the Philadelphia company. Revenue stamps to the amount of \$10,000 were attached to the mortgage which is the largest amount ever paid in revenue on any paper filed in this county. There were ten stamps of the denomination of \$1,000 each.

ALL NERVOUS WOMEN

May Benefit by the Remedy Mrs. Little Recommends for Nervousness

Whitman, Mass.—"I suffered from a nervous, rundown condition and loss of strength so it was hard for me to get around and do my work. After other medicines had failed to help me Vinol restored my health and strength and I heartily recommend it to any one suffering from a nervous, rundown condition."—Mrs. R. M. Little.

There is no secret about Vinol. It owes its success to beef and cod liver peptones, iron and manganese peptones and glycerophosphates, the oldest and most famous body building tonics. We strongly recommend it. Piper's Drug Store and druggists everywhere

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Hazel R. Nelson, late of Fallowfield Township, Washington Co., Pa., deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the Estate of Hazel R. Nelson, late of Fallowfield township, Washington Co., Pa., deceased, have been issued to the undersigned, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same should make them known without delay.

E. Raymond Nelson, Administrator
Speers, Pa., R. D. No. 1.
Vance & Gibson, Attys.,
Monongahela City, Pa.
M-3-10-17-24-31-A-7

PLUMBERS ARE ON A STRIKE

Journeyman plumbers are idle in Charleroi and other towns in the Monongahela valley, because of an effort on the part of master plumbers to reduce their wages.

On the first of January, 1919, a new scale of wages was adopted by the plumbers which called for \$8 for eight hours work. This scale has been in effect in Charleroi and other valley towns since that time. Saturday afternoon last, it is reported, when the men received their wages, they were also informed that when they came back to work Monday morning they would have to accept \$7 for an eight hour day.

A meeting was held by the journeymen Sunday afternoon at which time they voted to reject the offer of the master plumbers, and to remain away from work until the old scale was restored. The journeymen claim that, when the new scale was adopted at the first of the year, the agreement stipulated that a three months' notice should be given before any reduction in wages would take place. This agreement they claim has been violated, hence this is one of the reasons given for the walkout. As a consequence no union plumbers are at work in Charleroi or other towns in the valley today.

SLIGHT FIRE AT HOTEL MYFORD

The fire department was called to Seventh and Fallowfield at 10 o'clock this morning, where a fire threatened the Hotel Myford. The blaze it was ascertained started in the corner of a bed room on the second floor and was spreading quite rapidly when the firemen arrived. The chemicals were at once placed in action and in a short time the fire was out with but little damage to the building. Had there been any delay in sending in the alarm it is likely a bad fire would have resulted as the flames were eating their way back of the plaster and spreading to other parts of the building.

It was not until the end of the seventeenth century that the Venetian gondola assumed its present simplicity and soberness of color. A vain attempt has been made to introduce it in other countries, but it has apparently resisted all efforts at acclimatization.

Be a Good Loser.

Don't be afraid of being on the losing side. Defeat in a good cause is infinitely better than helping to win a victory for a cause in which you do not believe. Stand by your convictions. One who surrenders them in order to win is really on the losing side.

Musical Glasses.

Musical glasses are ordinary drinking glasses so tuned by their size and thickness that a damp finger passed round their brims produces the notes of the scale. Almost any ordinary diatonic air can be produced on them also simple harmonies.

Any King Would Do.

"I can trace my descent in a direct line from one of the early kings of England," she said, "Which one?" he asked. "I don't recall the name. What kings did England have?"—Springfield (Ohio) News.

Patriotism.

Patriotism, magical emotion, which makes you rise superior to all obstacles, support all weariness, willingly accept all necessary discipline and joyfully face all dangers.—Joffre.

The Legal Way.

"What's the matter with that law yer?" "Huh?" "Why does he keep yawning about the learned judge?" "That's the only way you can take a jam at a judge."

Poiteness Pays.

A mathematician has figured out that the telephone company loses 122 hours of work every day through the use of the word "please" by operators, and yet it pays.

Items of Interest.

Ping—"Does the comedian strike you as funny?" Pong—"Nary a bit. He struck me for a ten yesterday and I couldn't see the joke."

Uncle Eben.

"Many a man" said Uncle Eben, "turns over a new leaf an' den puts the same of writin' on it."

Daily Thought.

So far as anyone shuns evil, so far as does good.—St. Ambrose.

Exorcising "Evil Eye."

The notion of the "evil eye" is classed as the oldest of all superstitions and to frustrate its disastrous effects the peoples of past ages went to an immense amount of trouble and suffered much discomfort thereby. One antidote against the evil eye was to drink a tea made of the ashes of a piece of rope used in hanging a man. The people of the Orient used to burden their babies with jewels to divert the attention of the diabolical gazer. Necklaces of sapphires and carbuncles were especially efficacious in this regard. In some countries the use of garlic or even the name of that herb pronounced in the right way was supposed to nullify the attempted injury. It would be interesting to know if this is the reason garlic came into such constant demand on the continent.

Glorious Youth.

Youth abounds in recuperating powers. To be sure it grows weary, but it reacts in strength. Today's tasks may heavily burden the flesh, but tomorrow is sure to reveal added strength. Every trial of muscle, every test of brain brings advantage. Each day's added wisdom, each day's quota of experience makes the use of what youth already has doubly effective. Besides powers are just maturing that will add strength and fitness. So each day has a "comeback" that makes youth stronger than the day before. As a rule it is too busy to note the increase, but it unconsciously attempts bigger things because the bigger demand is made upon it. It grows to fear nothing but lack of opportunity. And the process makes the fit man, it adds strength to strength.

Savage Crabs.

The most savage specimen of the crab species is found in Japan. The minute he spies another of his kind he scrapes his claws together in a rage challenging him to combat. Not a moment is wasted in preliminaries, but at it they go hammer and tongs. It sounds like two rocks grinding against one another. The sand flies as the warriors push each other hither and thither, until at length one of them stretches himself out, ured to death, still feebly rubbing his claws together in defiance of the foe. That foe comes closer, catches hold of one claw of the vanquished crab, twists it until it comes off, and bears it away as a trophy of his prowess.

Gold From the Floor.

At one time the great fish-canning concerns simply turned the hose on the floor and washed the offal into the river. Then a brain-wave seized one man. There must be quantities of oil in that offal, he argued. So a refining plant was erected, with the result that 37,000 gallons of oil were obtained from the fish offal in 12 months. Sixty tons of offal are dealt with every day when the canneries are operating, and the oil is shipped to New York. Even then the offal is not finished with. The residue becomes guano, which is dried out and shipped to California, where it realizes a good price on account of its value as a fertilizer of fruit trees.

Saving the Birds.

Many lighthouse keepers around the British isles have adopted a splendid plan for saving the migratory birds, by constructing a great many perches and nests beneath the lights. These resting places have sheltered a large number of migrants when wind or fog has overpowered them. The keeper of a lighthouse in the Isle of Wight said that it was now a rare occurrence to pick up dead birds around the light. The smaller birds made good use of the perches. It seems, in fact, that these death-luring lights have been changed into harbors of safety for the birds.

Classified

FOR SALE—Six room house, all modern conveniences, pantry, attic, splendid cellar, good furnace, porch. Inquire 617 Washington a venue. 212-12

FOR SALE—Five lots each 30x100 feet on Monessen Hill. Price \$1500. Inquire 403 Mail office. 223-16p

FOR SALE—Seven work horses, 1400 to 1500 pounds in weight. Apply to the Consumers Coal Co. Local phone 169-A, or Bell phone 167-M. 226-5p

FOR SALE—One bedroom suit, an extra bed and a folding bed. Inquire 422 Washington avenue. 225-13

FOR SALE—Six room house and bath Between 6th and 7th on Washington a venue. Inquire Peoples Realty Co. 223-11

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for housekeeping. 212 Washington avenue. 227-12b

FOR RENT—Small apartment, light, heat water and gas furnished. Phone 131. 228-12b

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Inquire 133 Fallowfield avenue. 228-12

FOR RENT—Room with board in private family. Bell phone 89-J. 228-16p

WANTED—Four men with fair education who are willing to try to make good and become branch managers for world's largest tea and coffee house. Apply Jewel Tea Co. 400 Fifth street, Charleroi, Pa. 2205-11

WANTED—Millinery apprentice girls at Berryman's. Apply to Miss Cairns Millinery Dept. 22-11

WANTED—Girl for general house work Inquire at 411 Washington avenue. 226-11

WANTED—Furnished room in private family Address 412 Mail office. 228-13p

WANTED—Room and board in private family. Send name and address to 411 Mail office. 228-13p

WANTED—Girl to wash dishes. Apply Royal Restaurant, McKean avenue. 228-14p

WANTED—Boy to work in Bakery. Must be 16 years old. Apply Stevens Bakery. 228-11

WANTED—Two or three unfurnished rooms. Apply 413 Mail office. 228-13

LOST—Four dollars by little girl, along McKean avenue. Finder please return to 208 McKean avenue. 228-11p

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of H. B. Hopkins, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are to make immediate payment, those having claims against the same will make them known without delay.

Tillie Hopkins,
Administrator,
327-F3-10-17-24-M3pd Charleroi, Pa.

Rheumatism

can be cured. Try Ezon and be made strong and well.
Can be secured at Deprez Grocery.

BASKET BALL!

Charleroi High School vs.

Homestead High School

Tuesday, March 4, 1919

High School Gymnasium

Game called 8:15 P. M.

Preliminary 7:15 P. M.

C. H. S. Girls vs Ellsworth H. S. Girls

General Admission Thirty-five Cents
Students Fifteen Cents

THIS TELLS HOW TO FIGURE INCOME TAX

Squarely Up to Every Individual
to Get Busy by March 15
or Suffer Penalty.

"Don't wait until the final due date, March 15, for paying your Income Tax and making your return. Avoid the last minute rush. Any person can figure out his liability today as well as he can next week, and if there is any point on which he needs advice he can now get in touch with a Revenue man."

This word of advice is being given out by Internal Revenue men. Returns and payments are being collected in Pennsylvania by the following Collectors of Internal Revenue:

Ephraim Lefler, Benjamin F. Davis, Fred C. Kirkendall and C. Gregg Lewellyn.

Every aid of their offices and field forces is being given free to the public.

But the Income Tax men will not pull your door-bell or your coat-tails, according to the Collector's announcement. It is squarely up to every individual to figure out his own case and to get busy if he comes within the scope of the new Revenue law.

Did You Earn This Much?

Every unmarried person who received income averaging \$19.25 a week during 1915 and every married couple who jointly received income averaging \$35.50 a week should secure at once from the nearest Deputy Collector or the nearest bank a blank Form 1040 A. That form contains the information he will need to enable him to figure his correct net income and any tax that he owes the government.

The law requires that every unmarried person who had a net income of \$1,000 or over and every married person whose net income was \$2,000 or over (including the income of husband or wife and the earnings of minor children, if any) must make a return on or before March 15th. And this requirement does not hinge on whether the person owes a tax.

Taxable Income.

An individual must include under gross income all gains, profits and income derived from salaries, wages or compensation for personal service of whatever kind and in whatever form paid or from professions, vocations, business, sales or dealings in property of all kinds, interest, rent, dividends or profits derived from any source whatever. Very few items of income are exempt.

Deductions include ordinary and necessary business expenses, interest paid or accrued on indebtedness, taxes of all kinds except Federal income and excess profits taxes and assessments for local benefits, losses actually sustained, debts ascertained to be worthless and depreciation on buildings, machinery, fixtures, etc., used in business. A further deduction is allowed for contributions to corporations operated for religious, charitable, scientific or educational purposes or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals to an amount not exceeding 15 per cent of the taxpayer's net income as computed without the benefit of the contribution deduction.

The taxpayer is not allowed to deduct any personal, living or family expense, any amount spent for improving property or any expense of restoring property or making good its exhaustion for which an allowance is claimed under depreciation.

Figuring the Tax.

Before figuring the normal tax the dividends are deducted as credits from net income, together with the personal exemption. As in previous years, dividends of domestic corporations are exempt from normal tax when received by the stockholder.

The normal tax rates for citizens and residents are as follows: On the first \$4,000 of net income in excess of the credits the rate is 6 per cent; on any further taxable income the rate is 12 per cent.

The surtax rates apply to net income of each individual in excess of \$5,000. The personal exemption and the dividends are not deductible before computing surtax. In the case of returns by husband and wife, the net income of each is considered separately in computing any surtax that may be due. Form 1040 should be used for making returns of net income exceeding \$5,000, and the instructions on that form will show how to figure the surtax.

Business House Returns.

Employers and others who paid wages, salaries, rents, interest or similar determinable gains in an amount of \$1,000 or over during 1915 to any person must file an information return with the Government. Blanks may be secured from the Collector.

Every partnership must file a return showing its income and deductions and the name and address of each partner, with his share of the profits or losses during the past year. Personal service corporations will file similar information for 1915.

* INCOME TAX PAYS *
* FOR PUBLIC BENEFITS. *
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* "Viewed in its largest and truest sense, the payment of taxes is payment for benefits received or expected. Only from a narrow and essentially selfish and shortsighted viewpoint can the individual propose to himself the evasion of tax liability as a desirable course of action." *
* Daniel C. Roper, Commissioner *
* of Internal Revenue. *

Fundamental Laws.

Even Benjamin Franklin with all his carefully thought out philosophy had some mistakes placed against him on the ledger of life, and it is told of Abraham Lincoln that at one time he became so much discouraged and thought himself such a failure, thought life not worth the living. Times of discouragement come to every one of us, and we may be very sure that success is built mainly upon sincere efforts, and that we shall make many mistakes, no matter how carefully and conscientiously we try to carry out the law of obedience to the principles of real life. If those who stand for us as an embodiment of success made many failures, we may expect that we shall make ours, but we need not spoil our chances by a reckless disregard for law which all men have found to work toward success. Rather should we use these laws as the foundations upon which we shall build our own individuality and work out our own problem in our own way.

Korean Traditions.

Religious early accumulate superfluous tradition, which sometimes beautifully adorns them and sometimes corrupts. Korean Buddhism has accumulated its portion. Not the least curious, not the least poetic of the popular beliefs is that of the "Sari stones" or "Jewels." The tradition is that "when the body of a monk of special piety is burned a little pebble will be found among the ashes. It is irregular in form, clearly shows fusion, and looks like a gem or crystal. It is believed that it has been formed from the elements of the dead body, and they say that only about one man out of four hundred gives rise to one of these sari."

The Powers of Youth.

Disraeli said, "The history of heroes is the history of youth." That does not mean that nothing heroic can be done by men of mature years. Certainly history has much to say of men in middle life and old age that refutes such claims. What it does say is that the spirit of youth makes possible every great achievement. In some this spirit awakens slowly, coming to fruition only in middle life or old age. They are the exception. With most boys it bursts into power in the teens. The wild visions, elaborate plans and annoying pranks are only indications of potentialities. Properly encouraged they form the irresistible force of making manhood.

Molting Process Important.

Grubs and caterpillars represent a host of creatures wherein growth is impossible without molting. The material of which their skin is composed is inelastic and cannot admit of growth. As a consequence frequent changes of skin are imperative. How a crab manages to wriggle out of its strong case is something of a mystery, but the process entails a severe strain on the vitality and exposes the newly molted body to grave perils, since for a time the new skin is quite soft and hence neither escape from enemies by flight nor defense by the usual grip of the great pincers is possible till the hardening process is complete.

Roosevelt a "Regular Boy."

"As a boy," says H. R. Needham, "Theodore Roosevelt roamed the Long Island woodland; learned to know the trees and the plants; interpreted the calls of the birds, with whose plumage and habits he became familiar. He was a born naturalist, a true lover of nature. Said a decrepit Long Islander, who carried the Roosevelt family to their Oyster Bay country home, and in whose stage the lad 'Ted' was wont to ride: 'He was a regular boy. Always outdoors, climbing trees and going bird-nesting.' I remember him particularly, because he had queer things alive in his pockets. Sometimes it was even a snake."

Custom of Naming Bells.

The custom of christening and naming bells dates back to Roman times. As early as 968 A. D. is an account of the consecration of the great bell of the Lateran which was called "John." All are familiar with Old Kate of St. Mark's, Great Tom of Lincoln, Big Ben of Westminster, and St. Maria, one of the carillon bells of Antwerp, which was rung for the first time when Carl the Bold entered that city in 1487. In this same carillon is a bell called the "Carolus," which was given by Charles V. It is composed of copper, silver and gold, and is valued at \$100,000.

Unlike the cuttlefish of the Indian seas, the cuttle of the Gulf of Mexico exudes a purple substance, and tourists for many years have written their letters with the ink from the gulf cuttle considering it as one of the semi-tropical curiosities. Little dreaming that it might be an invaluable aid to industry and easily obtained in goodly quantities. The product of the gulf cuttle is as everlasting as that of the Indian fish, and it is up to the energetic dyer or chemist to further learn that the cuttlefish offers him dyes, grates, or rather, for the small expense of catching him.

Too Much to Expect.

Maxims are only maxims, after all. Thousands of people are early to bed and early to rise, but only a few are healthy, wealthy and wise all at the same time.

ALL TO BE HONORED ALIKE

No Distinction in Headstones Over
British Officers and Men Who
Died in the War.

Speaking of the resolutions adopted by the imperial war graves commission, a writer in the London Times says: "From the first it was laid down by the commission that no distinction should be made in the form or character of memorial to officers and men lying in the same cemetery. It was felt that what was done for one should be done for all, and that all, whatever their military rank or position in civil life, should have equal treatment so far as their graves were concerned. Were the erection of monuments left to individual initiative probably those of the well-to-do would overshadow those of their poorer comrades, to the loss of the whole sense of common sacrifice and service. The place for the individual monument, it was thought, should be at home. Therefore the creation of individual headstones of a single uniform pattern has been decided upon. These headstones will bear the badge of the regiment or unit to which the soldier belonged, together with the name, rank, regiment, and date of death. They should be easy of identification, and will perpetuate the present effect produced by the wooden crosses. As a central monument in each cemetery a cross and memorial stone are to be set up, simple but impressive in character. An inscription for the stone has been selected by Rudyard Kipling."

OLD-TIME TOOTH POWDER AD

Printed in Scottish Newspaper in 1860,
In All Probability It Was
the First.

One of those individuals who has leisure enough to dig into the records of days long past, has unearthed what is said to be the first advertisement ever published of a preparation for cleansing and preserving the teeth. It appeared 258 years ago, and, though the language is a bit involved, the writer needed no lessons from modern publicity experts in claiming virtues for his product. The ad was printed in the *Mercurius Politicus* of Leith, Scotland, in 1660, and reads:

"Most Excellent and Approved Dentifices to scour and cleanse the Teeth, making them white as Ivory; preserves from Toothache; so that being constantly used, the parties using it are never troubled with the Toothache; it fastens the Teeth, sweetens the Breath and preserves the Mouth and Gums from Canker and Impostumes. Made by Robert Turner, Gentleman; and the rights are only to be had at Thomas Rooker, Stationer, at the Holy Lamb at the East end of St. Paul's Church, near the School, in sealed papers at 12d the paper. The reader is desired to beware of counterfeits."

Warfare Little Changed.

When General Pershing saw the dangerous salient in the German line, he put in the American army instantly, meeting the emergency as Caesar met the rush of the Nervii in that same northeast France. When he encountered the complicated fortifications, trenches, pits and tangles of the Argonne, he employed precisely the kind of tactics to win through that Xenophon employed at the River Centrites more than 2,300 years ago and the same that Caesar used in his triumphant campaign against Vercingetorix. The details change the principles remain. Napoleon summed up the unaltering art in 73 maxims, and the last of these declares that "the only way to become a great captain is to study the campaigns of the great generals of all times."

War Horrors.

Two women were talking on a bus. "My hair became so gray during the war," said the first woman. "I hope it will be all right after awhile." "I can understand," said the second woman. "It was enough to make any one's hair gray. I am sure you won't add any more gray hairs now that peace has come." "Oh," said the first woman candidly, "it wasn't exactly because of the war that my hair became gray—that is, it wasn't because of worry; but, you know, the preparation I used to use—was imported—and during the war I couldn't get any of it. I had to let the gray hairs have their way—but now I hope it will be different," she ended brightly.

A Crying Need.

"There ought to be a school here for training young footpads," said Sandstorm Smith the well-known cattle baron of Rampage, Okla., who is temporarily in Kansas City's midst. "After having grown accustomed to the regular fashions in such fractions it pasters me to be fooled with by ignorant amateurs." Half of the time, with their jiggering and stuttering, I don't know whether they are trying to hold me up or act out some sort of a charade."—Kansas City Star.

Hotels That Pay Their Guests.

A newspaper reports that the hotel proprietors in Prague, Bohemia, have "cut their rates more than 100 per cent." From a financial point of view one might "rather live in Bohemia than in any other land."—Boston Transcript.

The New Way.

"Don't be in such a hurry to succeed, son. Look at me. I began life at the bottom." "Well, I've been in France, and I began by going over the top."

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